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These changes are being made to bring the subject application into better conformance with U.S. practice, to claim the priority of previously filed international applications, and to more distinctly claim what the Applicants regard as the invention. No new matter is being introduced. Entrance of this amendment is respectfully requested. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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IN THE ABSTRACT:

[The invention relates to a box for a video cassette, compact disc (CD) or similar, with two side walls (1,2) and intermediate end walls (3-6), and a blank for the box. The box is formed of a sheet-like blank comprising the side walls (1,2) ends walls (3-6) and folding lines (7-11) provided therefor. The end walls (3-6) are positioned so that one end wall (3) extends between two of the folding lines (7,8) formed to coincide with the longitudinal edges, facing one another, of the side walls (1,2), one end wall (4) extends at the folding line (9) formed to coincide with a longitudinal edge of the one of the side walls (2) opposite the afore-mentioned longitudinal edges, and the remaining end walls (5,6) extend at respective folding lines (10,11) formed to coincide with transversal edges of the side wall (2) last mentioned. The box and the blank comprise, in addition, a sealing means (12,13) arranged so that it shows whether the box has been opened.]

-- Abstract of the Disclosure

A box for videocassettes, compact discs, and the like, the box having two side walls, intermediate end walls, as a securing structure as well as a blank for forming the box. The box is formed from the sheet-like blank defining the side and intermediate end walls and includes fold lines delineating these walls. The end walls are positioned such that one end wall extends between two of the fold lines formed to coincide with the longitudinal edges, facing one another of the side walls. One end wall extends at the fold line formed to coincide with a longitudinal edge of one of the side walls opposite the aforementioned longitudinal edges and the remaining end walls extend at respective fold lines formed to coincide with transverse edges of the side wall last mentioned. The securing structure indicates whether the box has been opened once previously closed.—

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, line 1, please amend the title as follows: TAMPER-RESISTANT BOX FOR VIDEOCASSETTES, COMPACT DISCS (CDs) [OR SIMILAR, AND SUBJECT FOR THE BOX] AND THE LIKE.

Page 1, between lines 2 and 3, please insert –Related Applications This application claims the benefit of the Norwegian application 19992686 filed June 3, 1999 and the International application PCT/NO00/00160 filed May 18, 2000. Background of the Invention Field of the Invention--.

Page 1, between lines 5 and 6, please insert - Description of the Related Art ---.

Page 2, between lines 11 and 12, please insert – Summary of the Invention ---

Page 3, between lines 25 and 26, please insert -Brief Description of the Drawings--.

Page 4, between lines 13 and 14, please insert – Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete "Amended Claims" and insert -- WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--.

Please amend the Claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A box for [a] videocassettes [,] or compact discs (CDs) [or a similar object], formed of a sheet-like blank and comprising [two] a first and a second opposing side walls [(1,2)] and four intermediate end walls [(3-6), interconnected through folding lines [(7-11)], wherein a first end wall [(3)] is positioned between first and second fold[ing] lines [(7,8)] each defining a longitudinal edge of each of [said] the two opposing side walls [(1,2)], interconnecting the side walls [(1,2)] and having the same extent as the longitudinal edges of the side walls [(1,2)], [characterized in that] and wherein a second end wall [(4)] extends at a third

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fold[ing] line [(9)] positioned to coincide with a longitudinal edge of [one (2)] of] the first side wall[s (1,2)] opposite the aforementioned longitudinal edges, and wherein third and fourth [the remaining] end walls [(5,6)] extend at fourth and fifth fold[ing] lines [(10,11)] positioned to coincide with transverse[al] edges of [one (2) of] the first side wall[s (1,2)] having a longitudinal edge coinciding with [said] the third fold[ing] line [(9)], [said] wherein the box [having] has a distinct opening end and a first closure [(12,13)] assigned thereto, [said] the first closure comprising two co-operating first closure members [(12,13)] positioned at two adjacent end walls [(4,5)] at [said] the distinct opening end of the box and adapted to engage each other in order to keep [said] the end opening closed until it is forced open, wherein at least one [(12)] of [said] the first closure members [(12,13) being] is adapted to get torn and useless for a subsequent closing operation upon being subjected to tension caused by the opening end being forced open.

- 2. (Amended) [A box according to claim 1, characterized in that] The box of Claim 1, wherein the first closure comprises a bow-like element [(12)] disposed on one end wall [(4)] at the opening end of the box and a locking element [(13)] assigned thereto and disposed on an adjacent end wall [(5)], the bow-like element [(12)] being dimensioned to get torn through the tensile force exerted thereon by the locking element [(13)] when moved as a result of the end opening of the box being forced open.
- 3. (Amended) [A box according to claim 2, characterized in that] The box of Claim 2, wherein the bow-like element [(12)] is positioned in a region near a transverse[al] edge [(24)] of the end wall [(4), facing] and faces the end wall [(5),] and wherein the locking element [(13)] is positioned in [the] an extension of the end wall [(5)] facing the end wall [(4)].
- 4. (Amended) [A box according to anyone of the preceding claims 2 and 3, characterized in that] The box of Claim 2, wherein at one end facing the bow-like element [(12)], the locking element [(13)] is formed with a wedge-like portion [(14)] adapted to rest in a locking manner against the bow-like element [(12)], such that [the closure means being opened in that] the bow-like element is [being] torn upon the first closure being opened.
- 5. (Amended) [A box according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that the] The box of Claim 1, wherein respective ones of [the] free longitudinal edges [(17,

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18, 34)] of the end walls [(5,6,4)], and [the] free transverse[al] edges [(20,21)] and a [the] free longitudinal edge [(19)] of the **second** side wall [(1)] and [the] respective ones of [the] free transverse[al] edges [(25-30)] of the end walls [(3-6)] are formed with [closing means (22,23) resembling a snap-lock, for example] **second closures**.

- 6. A sheet-like blank for forming a box for a videocassette or a (Amended) compact disc (CD) [or a similar object, comprising], the box having first and second [two] juxtaposed side walls [(1,2)] and intermediate end walls [(3-6)], [characterized in that] wherein the blank comprises the side walls [(1,2)], intermediate end walls [(3-6)] and fold [(3-6)] lines [(7-6)]11)] provided therefor, the end walls [(3-6)] being positioned so that [one] a first end wall [(3)] extends between two of the fold[ing] lines [(7,8)] formed to coincide with [the] longitudinal edges, facing one another, of the side walls [(1,2)], and wherein a second [one] end wall [(4)] extends at the fold[ing] line [(9)] formed to coincide with a longitudinal edge of [one of] the first side wall[s (2)] opposite the aforementioned longitudinal edges, and wherein third and fourth [the remaining] end walls [(5,6)] extend at respective fold[ing] lines [(10,11)] formed to coincide with transverse[al] edges of the first side wall [(2) last mentioned], and a first closure [means (12,13)] comprising two co-operating first closure members [(12,13)] positioned on two adjacent end walls and, in [the] an erected position of the box [to be] formed by the blank, adapted to engage one another to keep an openable box end closed, until [it] the openable box end is forced open, wherein at least one [(12) of said] of the first closure members [(12 being] is too weak to withstand more than one opening operation, thereby inhibiting [making] a further closing operation [impossible].
- 7. (Amended) [A blank according to claim 6, characterized in that the sealing means] The blank of Claim 6, wherein the closure comprises a bow-like element [(12)] and a locking element [(13)] arranged thereto, formed in the respective second and third end walls [(4,5)].
- 8. (Amended) [A blank according to claim 7, characterized in that] **Thed blank** of Claim 7, wherein the bow-like element [(12)] is positioned in a region near a transverse[al] edge of the second end wall [(4)], facing the third end wall [(5)], and wherein the locking

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element [(13)] is in [the] an extension of the third end wall [(5)] facing the second end wall [(4)].

- 9. (Amended) [A blank according to any one of claims 7-8, characterized in that] The blank of Claim 7, wherein at an end facing the bow-like element [(12)], the locking element [(13)] is formed with a wedge-shaped portion [(14)] adapted to bear in a locking manner against the bow-like element [(12)], the [sealing means] closure being opened by breaking the bow-like element [(12)].
- 10. (Amended) [A blank according to any one of claims 6-9, characterized in that] The blank of Claim 6 wherein respective ones of [the] free longitudinal edges [(17, 18, 34)] of the end walls [(5,6,4)], and [the] free transverse[al] edges [(20,21)] and a [the] free longitudinal edge [(19)] of the second side wall [(1)] or [the] respective ones of [the] free transverse[al] edges [(25-30)] of the end walls [(3-6)] are formed with [closing means (22,23) resembling a snap-lock, for example] second closures.